

2. An apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the length of the cover is eight feet, and further wherein the width of the cover is eleven and one-half inches.

[Please replace claim 5 with the following claim:]

5. An apparatus for providing safety and for individuals and external objects comprising:

- (a) a cover having a length and a width, the cover having two sides, a first side and a second side, the cover having two edges, a first edge and a second edge, the cover having a thickness of at least one-half (1/2) inch, the cover being fabricated from a dense foam material, whereby the cover is wrapped around a lally column, and
- (b) fastener means for removably attaching the first edge of the cover to the second edge of the cover once the cover has been wrapped around a lally column.

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Please replace claim 6 with the following claim:

6. An apparatus according to claim 5 wherein the length of the cover is eight feet, and further wherein the width of the cover is eleven and one-half inches.
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